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Patent Application of : Karl-Werner DÖRR, et al  
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Title of the Invention : THERMAL INSULATING SHEET  
METAL PANEL WITH ...

**PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, after the title, please insert --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 2, before the paragraph which begins with "It is an object of," please insert --

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 3, before the paragraph, which begins with "An embodiment of," please insert --

## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.**